IN HONOR OF DR. JANOS HORVATH AND THE WILLIAM PENN ASSO-CIATION

## HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Dr. Janos Horvath and the William Penn Association for the tireless work they do on behalf of Hungarians and the Hungarian-American community in Cleveland, Ohio and across the nation.

Dr. Janos Horvath was born on November 7, 1921 in Hungary. He studied economics at the Palatine Jozsef University of Technology and Economic Sciences. In November of 1956, he left Hungary. While in exile in Strasbourg, he became a leader of the Hungarian Revolutionary Council in 1957. Later, while in New York, he became a founding member of Kossuth Foundation. He received his PhD from Columbia University in 1966. He taught at various American universities until he moved back to Hungary in 1997, after 41 vears. In 1998. Dr. Horvath became the Chairman of the Economic Policy Committee of Fidesz-Hungary's Civic party. He has been a Member of Hungary's parliament since 1998 and is currently the Doyen of the Hungarian Parliament.

The William Penn Association was founded on February 21, 1886 in Hazleton, Pennsylvania by thirteen Hungarian coal miners under the name "Verhovay Aid Association." The goal of the founders was to extend a helping hand to each other and to the many Hungarian immigrants who worked and suffered in the mines and industrial centers of America. The Verhovay Aid Association has grown into the largest of all the Hungarian American fraternal organizations. In 1972 the organization's name was changed to "William Penn Association."

The Hungarian American Coalition is a Washington based non-profit organization founded 20 years ago to coordinate the talents and resources of its members in promoting the interests of the Hungarian American community. Its goals include: to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of the history, culture and scientific achievements of both the United States and Hungary through cultural and educational exchanges; to protect and preserve the human and minority rights and cultural heritage of Hungarians throughout the world; and to support democratic institutions and economic development in Hungary. Every year the Coalition honors outstanding members of the Hungarian-American community in recognition of their extraordinary contributions to both Hungary and the United States.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Dr. Janos Horvath and the William Penn Association and the work they do on behalf of the Hungarian and Hungarian-American community.

HONORING MARTIN "CHIP" DOORDAN

## HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Martin "Chip" Doordan for his nearly forty years of outstanding service to the people of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, culminating in his leadership role as President and Chief Executive Officer of Anne Arundel Health System. Chip first joined Anne Arundel Medical Center (AAMC) in 1972 as a graduate student, became President of AAMC in 1988 and, in 1994, the Board of Trustees named him president and CEO of the Health System. Under Chip's leadership, this downtown Annapolis hospital was transformed into a regional medical center on a 100-acre campus.

The center boasts a highly qualified staff and has grown to include a diagnostics and imaging company, a foundation, a research institute, a freestanding substance abuse inpatient treatment center and many other centers of excellence. Chip also positioned AAMC as a leader in Maryland on joint replacement and started an affiliation with Johns Hopkins for cancer services. In April 2011, Chip opened a new patient tower that expands the emergency department, adds more private beds and has a dedicated pediatric emergency department. All of these achievements are the culmination of many years of hard work and Chip's strong dedication and commitment to the people of Maryland and improving our health care system.

Throughout his career, Chip has been recognized as a quiet and thoughtful leader who strives to find new and creative ways to give back to his community. You can often find Chip walking the halls of AAMC day and night, ensuring that patients are getting the care that they need and staff have the tools to carry out their critical mission. Chip has made an enormous impact on Anne Arundel County and has changed the lives of countless families in the State of Maryland and beyond. I am proud to call him a friend and I thank him for his vision, leadership and commitment to public service.

INTRODUCTION OF THE PRE-AP-PRENTICE AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING ACT OF 2011

## HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, the Pre-Ap-

prentice and Apprenticeship Training Act of 2011 requires states to use the one half of one percent of funds now available under 23 USC 140(b) for federal highway construction training, which is necessary to combat a serious skills shortage as the current cohort of journeymen and other skilled workers is retiring, and also counters the effects of past discrimination in the construction industry. The current surface transportation law, TEA-21 (23 USC 140), permits states to use one-half of one percent of highway funds to administer highway construction training, but the states

are not required to do so. In fact, most states do not commit transportation and infrastructure funds to training, and training that does occur is spotty. The Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has already set an important precedent for my bill by specifically including training funds, at my request, in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), with \$3 million specifically targeted for training in the General Services Administration section of the bill. Also included in ARRA was \$20 million for federal highway training programs.

The bill is also necessary to finally afford minorities and women the opportunity to gain a first foothold in the high-wage construction industry, as part of the cohort replacing retiring construction workers. Although deliberate exclusion has largely receded, a significant training deficit in the skilled construction trades remains

As the large cohort of baby-boom construction workers begin to retire, the bill will help meet the nation's need to train a new generation, from every race and background. At the same time, the bill also will ensure compliance with the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which bar discrimination in the use of government dollars.

35THANNIVERSARY OF THE CONTRA COSTA CHILD CARE COUNCIL

## HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise with my colleagues Congressman JERRY MCNERNEY and Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI, to recognize the tremendous work of the Contra Costa Child Care Council as the organization celebrates its 35th anniversary of invaluable service to our communities.

With its inception on August 11, 1976, the Contra Costa Child Care Council began to develop and promote quality child care through a multitude of nonprofit programs and services. Over the years, the Council has increased public awareness of the benefits and significant impact of early care and education to the success of our children, the economic vitality and well being of families and neighborhoods. and the future promise for California.

This organization reflects the well known fact that early childhood education and quality run child care are important and integral parts of Contra Costa's economy, contributing at least \$2.66 billion value added to the gross product of the County and generating \$225 million in direct tax revenues, as well as supporting 35,600 jobs. This service has also been proven to be an essential component of the infrastructure of the entire State of California.

Since its inception, the Child Care Council has been true to its mission to "Help Parents Put the Pieces Together". Over 265,000 parents have accessed the free referral service of the Council to find care that meets the specific needs of their families and tens of thousands of Contra Costa early educators and child care providers have received free training, technical assistance and support through the Council's